March 8, 2010 Commissioners Meeting Minutes

A meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Colfax County, Nebraska was held in the Commissioners Room of the County Courthouse, Schuyler, Nebraska on the 8th day of March, 2010. The County Board of Commissioners met at 8:30 a.m. Present were: Jerry L. Heard, Jerold Kracl and Skip Oehlrich, County Commissioners, Rita M. Mundil, County Clerk, Bo Botelho, County Attorney. Notice of this meeting was given in advance thereof by posting written notice in at least three different public places as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice. Availability of the proposed agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the board. Copies of the Open Meetings Act were posted and available to the public. All proceedings shown were taken while the meeting was officially convened and open to the public.

The chairman stated a copy of the Open Meeting Act statute is posted and available to the public.

Motion Kracl; second Oehlrich to approve the agenda. Voting YES: Heard, Kracl and Oehlrich. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Heard; second Kracl to approve the minutes of 2/23/10. Voting YES: Kracl, Oehlrich and Heard. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Heard; second Oehlrich to enter executive session at 8:35 a.m. for the general assistance report. Voting YES: Oehlrich, Heard and Kracl. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Motion Heard; second Kracl to exit executive session and resume regular session at 8:40 a.m. Voting YES: Heard, Kracl and Oehlrich. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The chairman stated no action was taken while in executive session.

The county attorney did not provide an activity report to the commissioners.

The weed superintendent gave a report of the activities of his department; he provided a Noxious Weeds Watch List and reviewed correspondence from USDA for the annual County Weed board meeting to be held at the county FSA office on Tuesday, March 23, 2010 at 10:15 am.

The clerk provided the board with a copy of her monthly fees; STOP revenue received, and reminded the board of the Northeast District Spring workshop March 19, 2010 in Norfolk. She informed the board that in the month of January, the NACo Prescription Drug Card was used 4 times. Accountability and Discloser forms have been distributed to all officials and she received notice that all forms have been received. Correspondence from Sequoi Consulting Group was reviewed along with an email from Clay County Board of Supervisors requesting that our board send a letter communicating our concerns of the negative effects of some conservation programs to the Nebraska Environmental Trust. On March 3<sup>rd</sup> Mike Boden, with National Insurance Services explained the benefit plans that are available to Colfax County employees.

The board received a copy of the monthly fee report of the District Court Clerk.

The sheriff's February monthly fee report was provided to the board and placed on file.

Motion Heard, second Oehlrich to appoint Richard Seckman, Stephen Hanson and Mary Peschel to serve on the policy board for contracting a public defender. Voting YES: Kracl, Oehlrich and Heard. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

The board provided an opportunity for county employee's to attend an "Agenda-less meeting".

The board of commissioners recessed at 9:45 a.m. and reconvened at 10:05 a.m.

The zoning administrator gave a report of the activities of his office; one public hearing will be scheduled for the next meeting.

The emergency manager gave a report of the activities of his department; a receipt from City of Schuyler for reimbursement of sand bags from the 2008 May Flood will be placed on file. An update was given on the Platte River regarding possible flooding.

The highway department gave a report of the activities of their department; building a county shop at the North end of the county was discussed.

Gravel bids that were received by the 11:00 a.m. deadline were publicly opened and read. Three gravel companies submitted bids. Action has been deferred until the March 30, 2010 meeting.

The board set March 30, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. in the commissioner's room to receive bids and publicly open and read the bids on materials to construct culvert projects and the construction of concrete box culverts on five culvert projects. Discuss, consider, and action taken on the culvert projects will be at March 30, 2010 meeting.

The clerk summarized the day's agenda and action taken.

Motion Heard; second Oehlrich to adjourn BOC at 11:45 a.m. and to meet again March 30, 2010. Voting YES: Oehlrich, Heard and Kracl. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

I, Rita M. Mundil, duly appointed and qualified County Clerk of said county, do hereby state that the above minutes were recorded by me, are true and correct to my knowledge, are recorded in the Commissioners Records and were completed for public inspection and publication on the 9th day of March, 2010.